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SUBJECT: TELESAT SERVICE FROM THULE TO POINT REYES, CALIFORNIA

EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FOLLOWING LETTER, DATED JANUARY 20, FROM EXTAFF REQUESTING USG ASSURANCES THAT THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN SERVICES BY TELESAT TO RCA AMERICOM IS FOR NATIONAL SECURITY PURPOSES. GUIDANCE FOR REPLY REQUESTED.

BEGIN TEXT. THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS, PURSUANT TO THE TELESAT CANADA ACT AND THE CANADA/UNITED STATES INTERGOVERNMENTAL ARRANGEMENT OF 1972, AUTHORIZED TELESAT CANADA, ON MAY 31, 1976, TO PROVIDE SATELLITE COMMUNICATION SERVICES TO RCA AMERICOM FROM THULE, GREENLAND TO POINT REYES, CALIFORNIA, IN FULFILLMENT OF A UNITED STATES MILITARY REQUIREMENT. AUTHORIZATION IS LIMITED TO A TOTAL OF TWELVE VOICE-GRADE CIRCUITS AND IS DUE TO EXPIRE AFTER MAY 31, 1977.

ON NOVEMBER 15, TELESAT CANADA REQUESTED AUTHORITY FROM THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS TO EXTEND THE SERVICES TO DECEMBER 30, 1977 AND "PROVIDE UP TO 20 PERCENT OF THE POWER AND BANDWIDTH AVAILABLE ON THAT CHANNEL". WE HAVE BEEN ASKED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS TO SEEK ASSURANCES FROM THE UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES THAT THE PROVISION OF "20 PERCENT OF THE POWER AND BANDWIDTH AVAILABLE" ON THE RF CHANNEL NOW REPRESENTS THE OFFICIAL

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UNITED STATES REQUIREMENT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY PURPOSES. I WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE IF YOU WOULD SEEK THE ABOVE ASSURANCES AND CONVEY THEM TO ME IN ORDER THAT I MIGHT RESPOND TO THE REQUEST FROM COMMUNICATIONS. END TEXT. ENDERS

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